

APRIL 2024

#HAPPENING@HURLY

And we're back.....

In true Hurly style, we are back with a bang, and already clocking up the achievements! Our sport is in full swing, two of our students have made it through to the Provisional Lions Rugby Squad. The Obliterator and Juggernaut endured a very tough selection process and thanks to the dedication and encouragement of the coaching team, we may very well have our future Sia Kolisi! Our resident Torpedo has also made a huge splash representing Gauteng in the S.A. Schools Gala. Head over to our Sports section to find out more!

We have also welcomed three new members to our Hurly family, Mr. Miles-Grade 5, Ms. Winter-Grade 4 and Mr. Magodi-Groundstaff. Although they have just joined us, it already feels like they have been part of our team for years.

A REAL NEW member was added to our family, as Mrs. Workman successfully added the sweetest baby girl. Congratulations! We are already arguing about whose class she is going to go to!

In case you have heard the name Davina, and mistakenly thought it was a new kid in the class, allow me to clarify. Davina is a therapy dog who has joined us as our first non-human staff member. She has added much excitement and variety to our day, as the children learn to interact and bond with her. We envisage that she will be a useful addition, not only to our children who need support but to those who need a friend, a cuddle and even those who have never experienced a pet before. Mrs. Knoth is not only here to feed Davina, she is a qualified remedial therapist herself and is already making a difference in the classes. Welcome Mrs. Knoth and Davina!

Winter is coming.

Please remember that we are in transition to winter uniform at the moment, and both winter and summer are acceptable. However, if your child comes to school in uniform, the full correct uniform must be worn. We can not mix and match. We are extremely proud of our uniforms and like our children to wear them with honour.

Please pay our second-hand shop a visit for any items you may require. The goods are very reasonably priced and in excellent condition. Who knows you may even find your child's long-lost jersey!

Hooked on Reading!

If you've been keeping an eye on our Facebook you will have seen that Hooked on Books paid us a visit. Much hysteric and laughter ensured lots of nagging at home for the latest "Alex Rider" or "Murder at the Museum". We followed that up with a book character dress-up day. Hilarity abounded with the creative and truly astounding costumes. From a real Sponge Bob Square Pants to the cutest little penguin! The creations were unique and well thought out and thoroughly enjoyed by the children! The Grade 7's celebrated Shakespeare's birthday with a dress up of their own. Apparently, he wrote about pirates? Who knew!

Coming Up....

- * A reminder that Soap Box Derby will be on Saturday 11 May. Please keep an eye out for the forms and use this as an opportunity to spend a lovely morning out with the family. The children have loads of fun and it makes it even better if mom and dad are as excited and involved. Rumour has it, there may even be a parent race, so start your fitness training! Photo orders will be going out soon, please look out for the link on Edana. Payments can be made through Karri.
- * All the car stickers were handed out and should be in full swing. Please contact the office should you require any further assistance.
- * In order to facilitate you having more control, and to avoid mom receiving yet another pair of plastic earrings on Mother's Day, we have decided to place the sales on Karri. Please help your child to choose a suitable gift for mom and involve them in the purchase. The gifts will be delivered to school well in time for Mom's special day.
- * Did you know that Hurlly has a full department dedicated to reducing our waste? We are ever conscious of our carbon footprint and our recycling department is in full-throttle mode and busy collecting eco-bricks. Our children have all been taught how to make these fun and very useful items, so, why not join in our endeavours and start to make your own eco-bricks at home? They can be delivered to the school, and distributed to various organisations.
- * Our open day will be held on the 1 June, the same day as our inter-house soccer and netball matches, so please pop past and offer some support.
- * We encourage reading at every level, so please make exposing your child to books, magazines, or anything they will read a top priority.
- * Join a library or pop a kiddies magazine in the monthly trolley.

Don't underestimate the value of reading to your children, yes, even the dying -of embarrassment -teens! Set aside reading time at home and engage your child in what they are reading.

- * Eistedfodd is coming up. Please encourage your child to participate. Assist them in preparing for their item and liaise with their teacher, the benefits of showcasing their emerging talent can not be overstated. Forms will be going out shortly.

A big thank you to all who came out to support our Drummies. the evening was a huge success.

SGB News

The following members were voted as office bearers;
Chairperson: Mr Lester
Vice Chair: Mr Scott
Treasurer: Ms Vukoicic
Secretary: Mr Dos Santos

Food for thought...

"I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S MORE EXHAUSTING ABOUT PARENTING: THE GETTING UP EARLY, OR ACTING LIKE YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING."
— JIM GAFFIGAN

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